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PUBLIC NOTICE

State law¹ requires that election officials manually audit a sample of voted ballots. This audit must be performed after each general election.

The Calvert County Board of Elections will conduct the manual ballot audit of the 2020 General Election starting on February 9, 2021 at 10:00 am*. This audit may take one day to complete and will take place at the Calvert County Board of Elections, located at 30 Duke St, Lower Level, Prince Frederick, MD 20678. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, public viewing will be available via livestream only, at:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82729589443>

The Calvert County Board of Elections will manually tally a sample of votes cast for the Office of President and Vice President and compare the results of the manual tally against the results from the voting system. This process will determine whether the voting system accurately counted ballots during the 2020 General Election.²

The State Board of Elections randomly selected the early voting center and election day vote center to be audited, and the Calvert County Board of Elections randomly selected the mail in and provisional ballots to be audited. Starting on February 9th, the Calvert County Board of Elections will manually tally the votes for President on:

1. 786 ballots cast on one scanning unit on the first day of early voting at the Community Resources Building
2. 2880 ballots cast on election day at the Patuxent High School
3. 26 mail in ballots
4. 15 provisional ballots

*Snow date will be Tuesday, February 16, 2021 at 10:00 am.

¹ See Election Law Article, §11-309 of the *Annotated Code of Maryland*. This requirement introduced as House Bill 1278 of the 2018 Legislative Session and is reported as Chapter 523 of the 2018 Laws of Maryland.

² Before the 2020 General Election was certified, the State Board of Elections conducted an automated audit of **all** of the ballots cast in the 2020 General Election. The results of this audit confirmed the accuracy of the voting system. The results of the automated audit are at https://elections.maryland.gov/voting_system/ballot_audit_plan.html